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INVENTOR(S) : Michael Weiss, et al.
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OPTIMIZE A BIDDING PROCESS
USED TO SELECT RESOURCES
AND SERVICES
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Commissioner:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 5, 2005 on the above-referenced patent application, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as the Examiner asserts that these claims are unpatentable over United States Patent No. 6,073,176 to Baidur et al. Applicants submit that the Examiner's rejection of these claims is traversed as set forth below.